

Petition Approval Timeline for a Conversion Charter School

Pursuant to IDAPA 08.02.04
State Board of Education Rule

This document provides an overview of the process and timeline for approval of a new charter school petition. For answers to specific questions or for more detail, refer to Idaho Code 33-5205 and IDAPA 08.02.04 Sub Sections 204 through 206.

The petition is submitted to Department of Education for Sufficiency Review.

30 days for review and written findings

Petitioners may update the petition based on the Sufficiency Review and then submit to local school district's Board of Trustees (the authorized chartering entity).

Timeline dependent upon petitioners

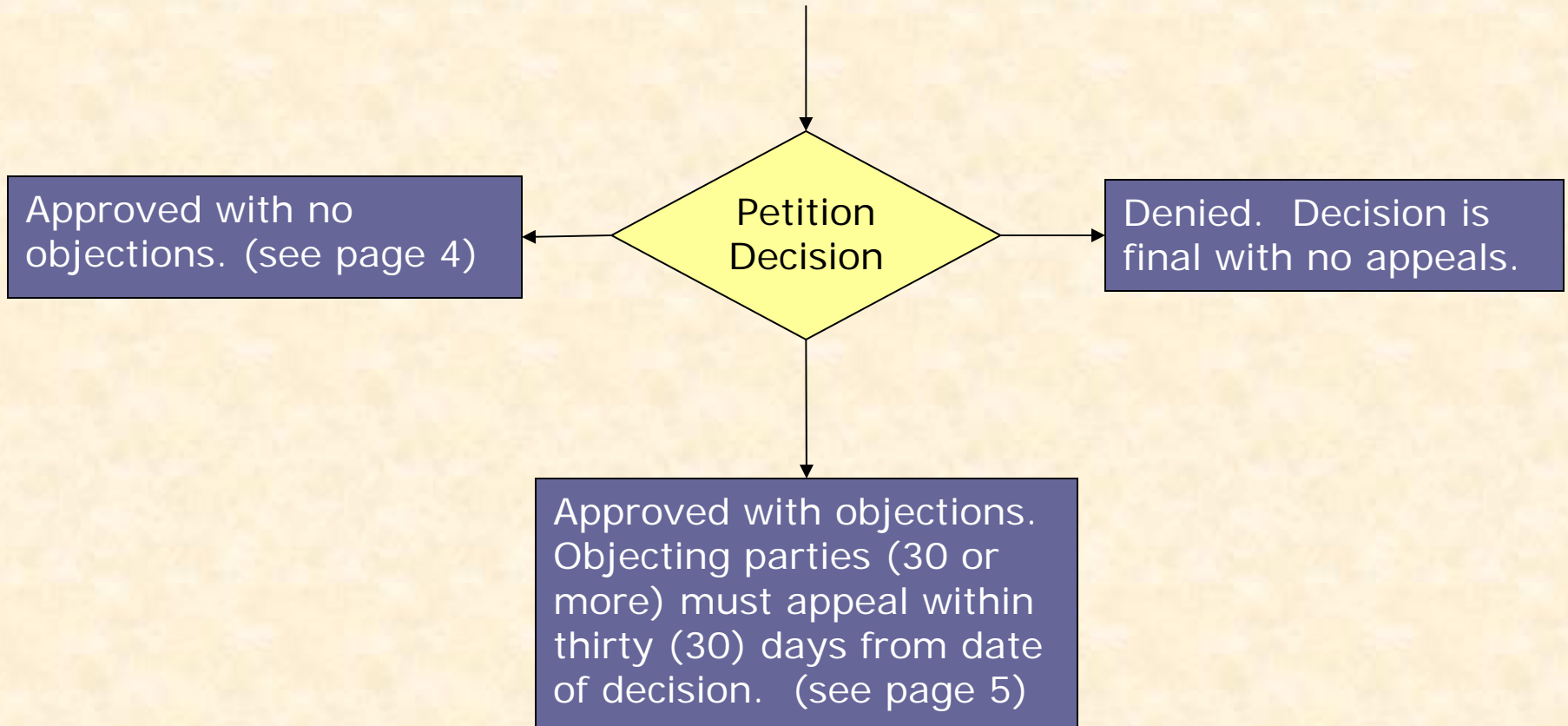
The authorized chartering entity (ACE) receives petition to establish a conversion charter school and copy of Sufficiency Review at a board of trustees meeting.
Idaho Code 33-5205(1)(b)

60 days after petition received by ACE

READ IDAPA 08.02.04 204-206

The ACE holds a public hearing for the purpose of 1) discussing the provisions of the charter, 2) considering the merits of the petition and the level of employee and parental support for the petition.

60 days after the public hearing to make a decision; may be extended an additional 60 days if the ACE requests changes be made to petition or if the ACE and petitioners mutually agree to extend the deadline for further review.



Charter approved by ACE

The ACE approves and board chair signs petition to be submitted to the State Board of Education.

State Board of Education (SBOE) assigns a number based on chronological order in which petition is received in accordance with Idaho Code 33-5203.

If one of the first six (6) to be approved statewide and first in school district for that year, the charter school becomes official to open the following school year.

Petition Approved by ACE Over Objections

**Must appeal within thirty (30) days
from date of decision**

Appeal to State Superintendent of Public Instruction who shall select a Hearing Officer to review the action of the ACE.

**30 days after appeal
submission**

Hearing Officer shall conduct a public hearing to review the decision.

10 days after hearing

Hearing Officer shall issue a recommendation to the Department, the ACE, and the appellants.

**30 days from receipt of
recommendation**

The ACE shall hold a public hearing to review recommendations.

10 days after hearing

The ACE shall
either affirm or
reverse its initial
decision.

The ACE affirms initial
decision and approves
conversion charter school.
There shall be no further
appeal.

The ACE reverses initial decision
and conversion is denied. There
shall be no further appeal.